

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF: HAROLD VATER

SERIAL NO.: 09/700,656

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FOR: ACCESS-CONTROLLED DATA STORAGE  
MEDIUM

GROUP ART UNIT: 2137

EXAMINER: Z. Davis

ATTY. REFERENCE: VATE3001/BEU

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

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This paper is in response to the final Office Action dated February 7, 2006.

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